



The “Karlsruher Nuklidkarte”

New Edition of the Karlsruhe Nuclide Chart

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110 years of Nuclear Science

- H.Becquerel 1896, discovery of radioactivity
- With Curie, Rutherford, Fermi, Hahn, Wigner, Bohr, Mottelson, many more advances in our knowledge of the structure of the nucleus
Soddy, Moseley, De Hevesy ➡ isotopes
- Many Nobel prizes in Nuclear Science (including Physics, Chemistry, Physiology and Medicine)
- Since Gell-Mann, classification of hadrons with the quark model. Salam, Weinberg, Reines, Perl, Hooft, edification of the standard model



Ordering the Knowledge

- Old concepts of “earth, wind, water and fire”
- Mendeleyev table (1869): Chemical properties, Mass Number
- Representation of nuclides in a proton/neutron map system (Fea, 1935, Seaborg, 1940, Segrè, 1945, Karlsruhe since 1958)
- Vision of the particles as multiplets of elementary particles (e.g. quarks for baryons)
- Supersymmetry, strings, etc ...



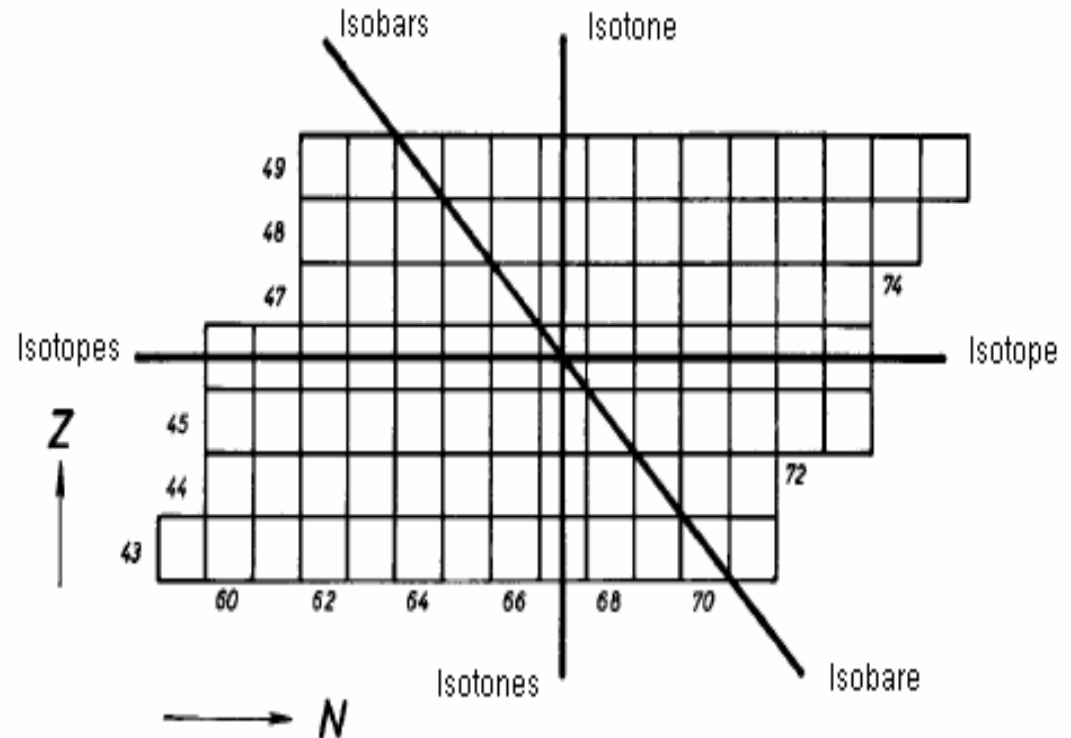
The representation of the Nuclides

Nuclide : *A type of atom specified by its atomic number, Z , mass number, A , and energy state.*

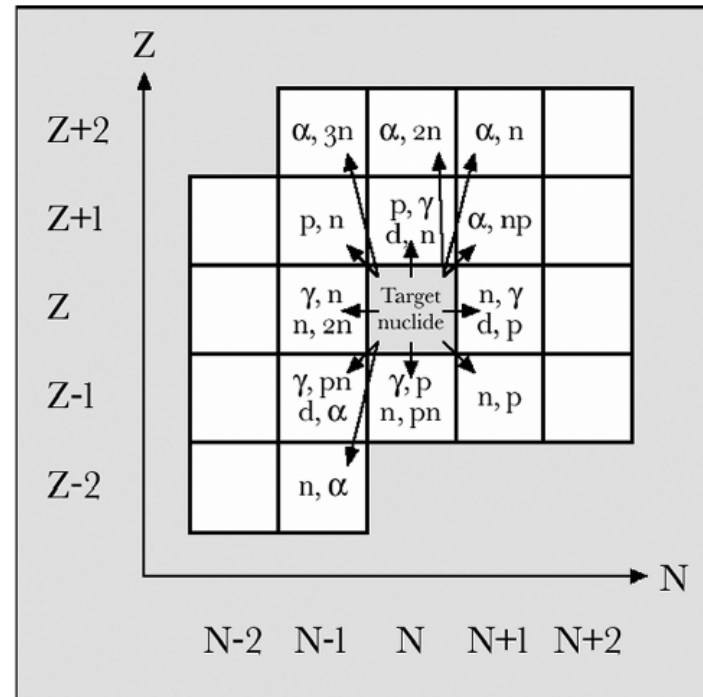
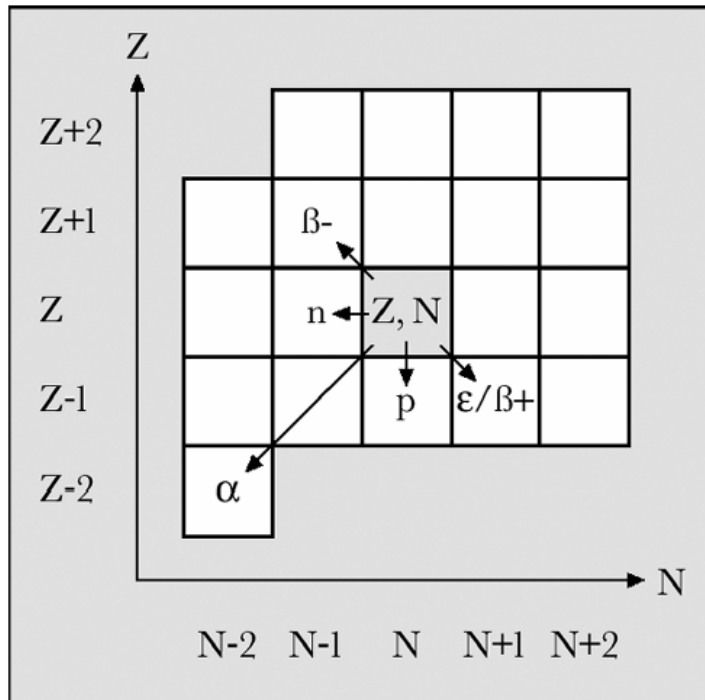
Isotopes : *meaning at the same place in the periodic table ➡ nuclides with same Z .*

Isotones : *nuclides with the same N ($=A-Z$).*

Isobars : *nuclides with the same A .*



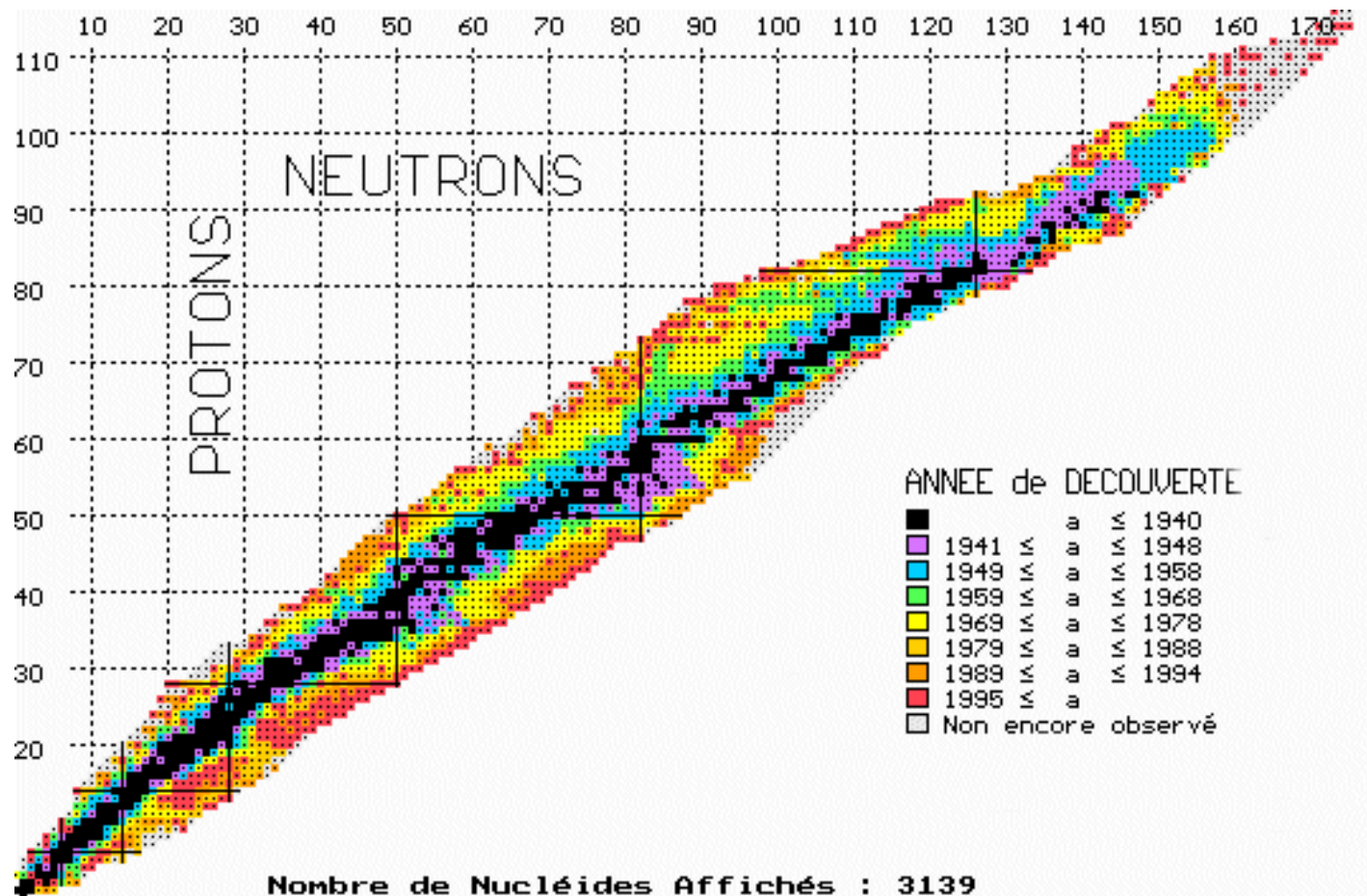
Choices for the representation of data



Decay and nuclear reactions



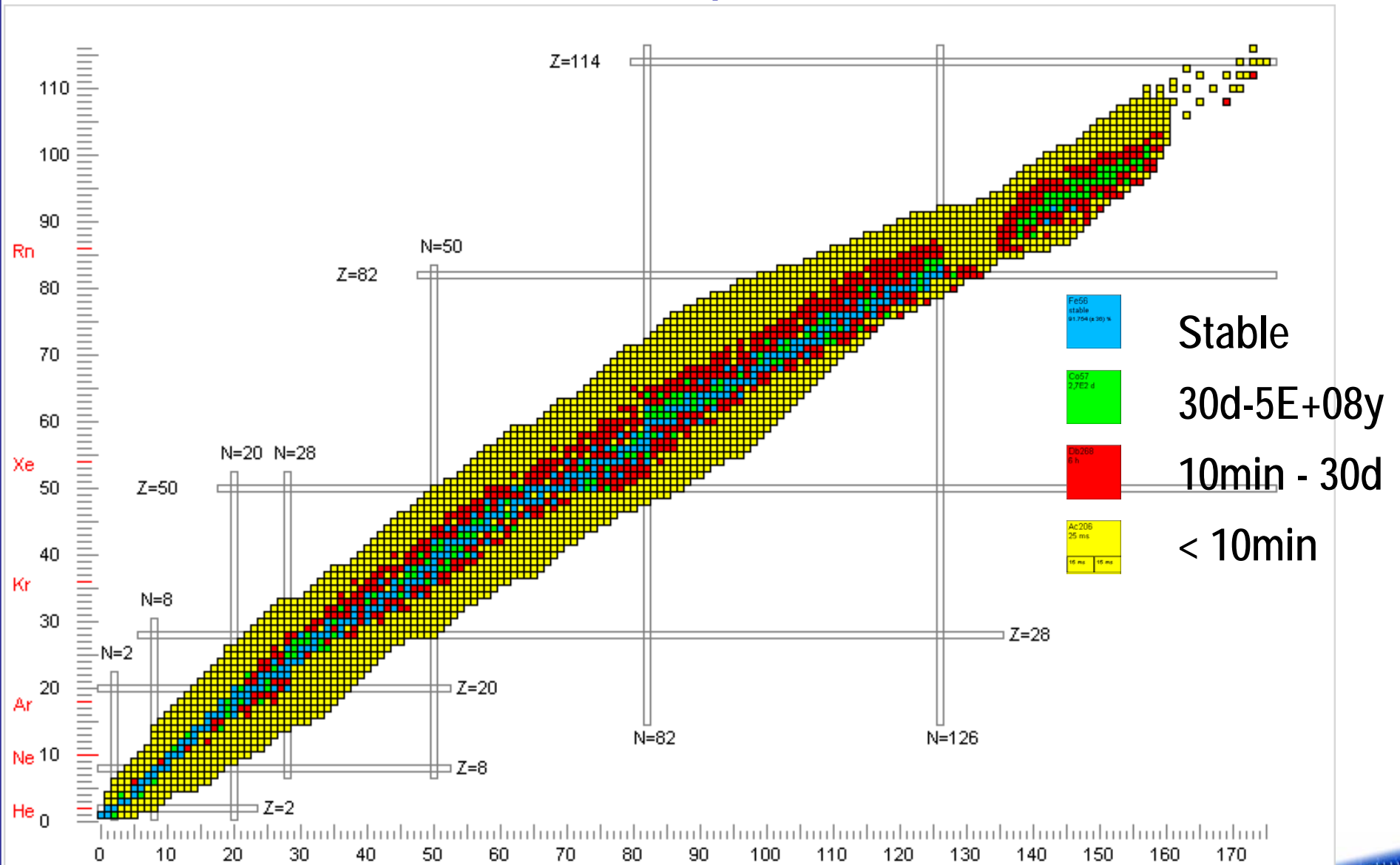
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Historical point of view for the epistemologist



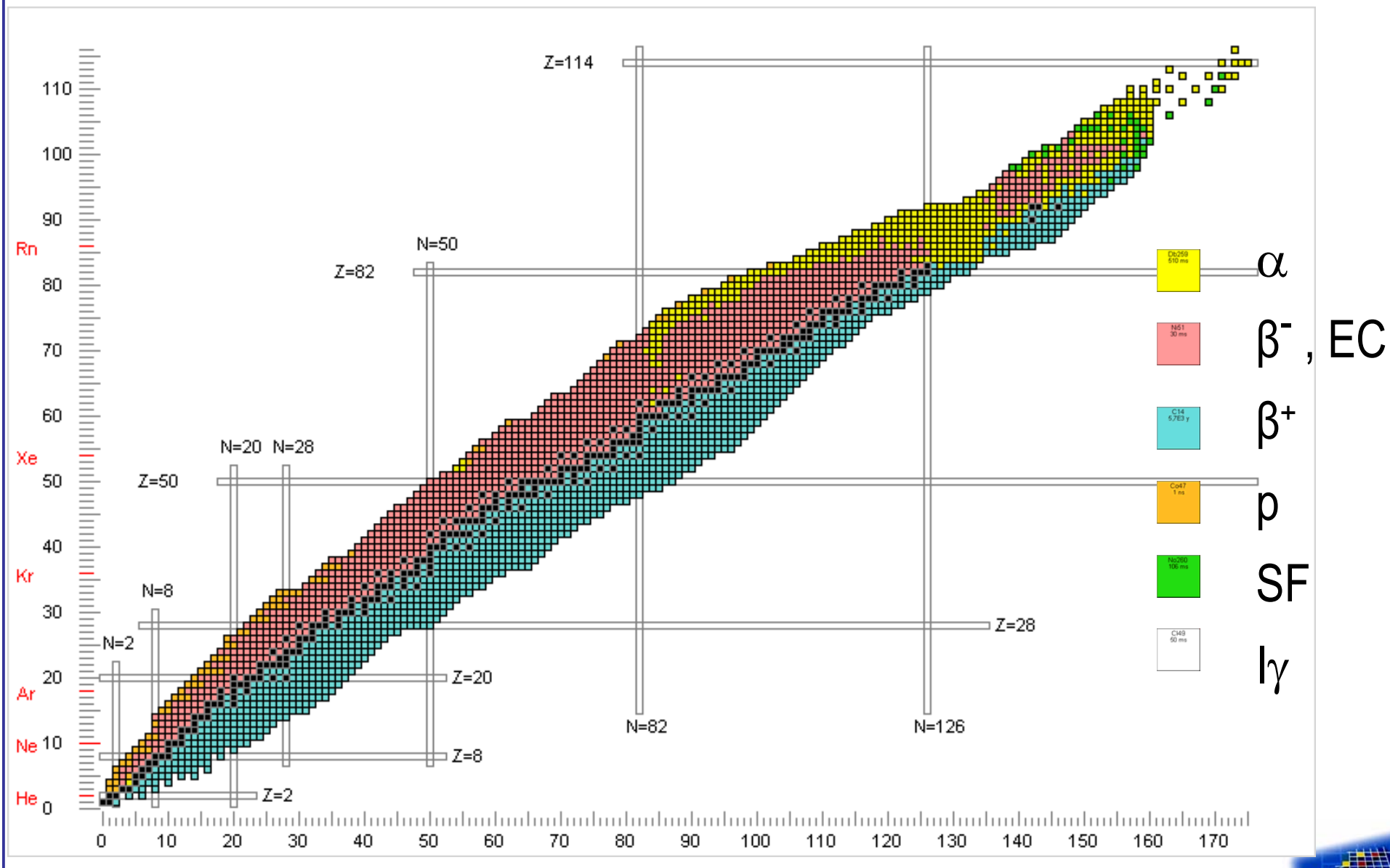
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Half-lives based



Choices for the representation of data





Available Nuclide Charts

- Many charts are available mainly online with the recurring problem of the update and the reliability of the data
- Chart of The Nuclides 2002 Authored by Knolls Atomic Power Laboratory and distributed by Lockheed Martin (16th edition, revised to 2002, by E.M. Baum, H.D. Knox, and T.R. Miller).
- Chart of the Nuclides 2000 Japanese Nuclear Data Committee and Nuclear Data Centre, JAERI, 2000.
- Karlsruher Nuklidkarte 1998 6. Auflage, by G. Pfennig, H. Klewe-Nebenius, W. Seelmann-Eggebert.
- Strasbourg Chart of the Nuclides 1992 by M.S. Antony, Centre de Recherches Nucléaires et Université Louis Pasteur, Strasbourg, France.

More Recent Popular Paper Nuclide Charts

1992

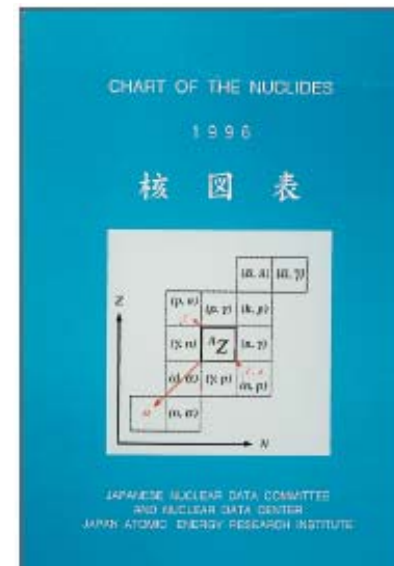
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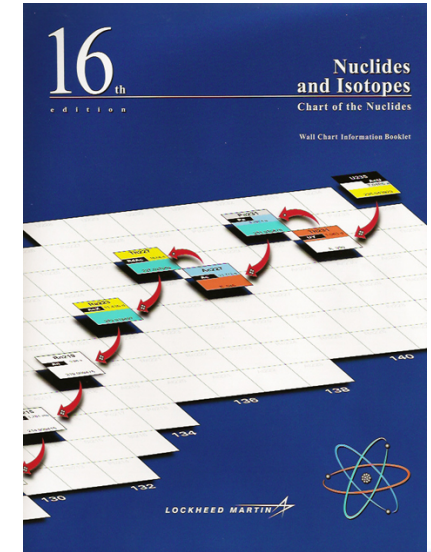
2002



Strasbourg nuclide chart

Revised 6th edition of the
"Karlsruher Nuklidkarte"

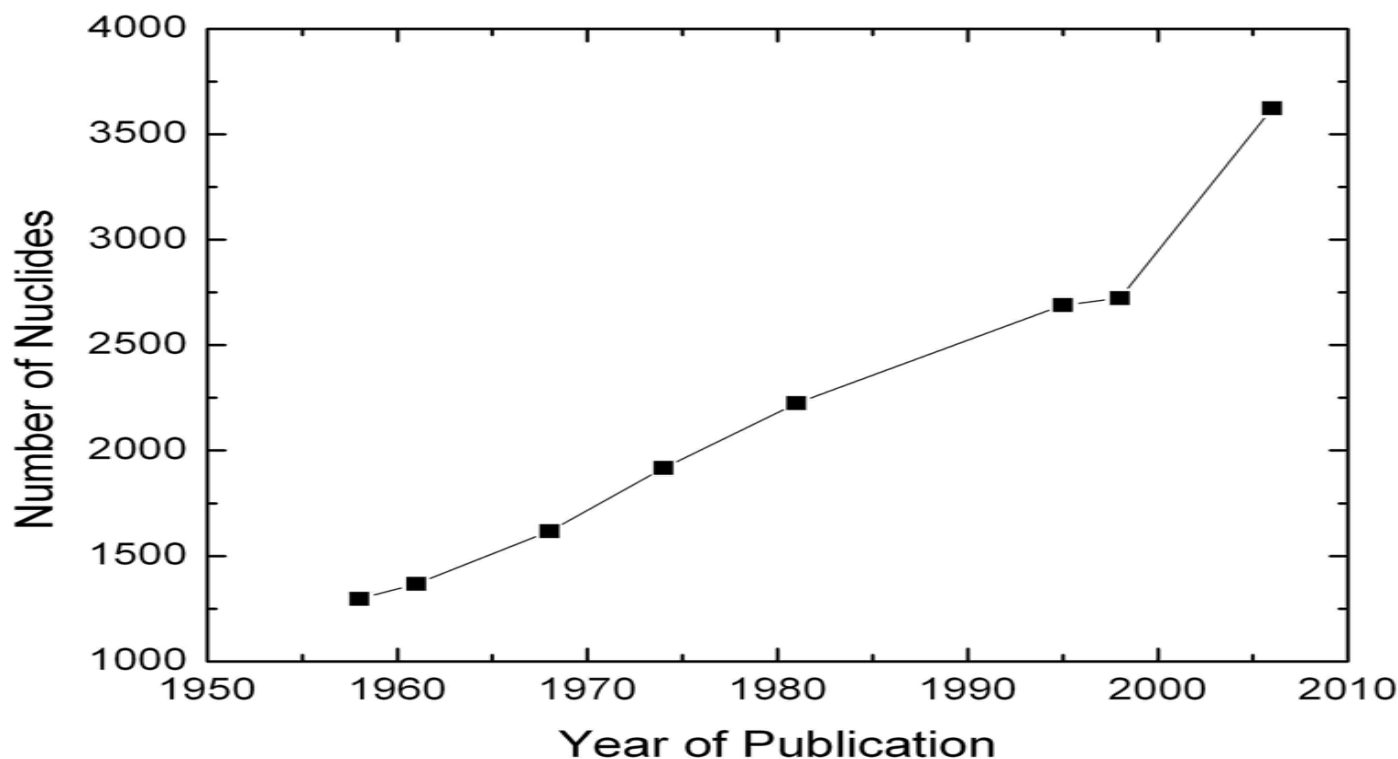
Japanese (JAERI) nuclide chart





Discovery of New Nuclides

Number of Nuclides available in the Karlsruhe Nuclide Chart
The 7 editions, including 2006, are shown

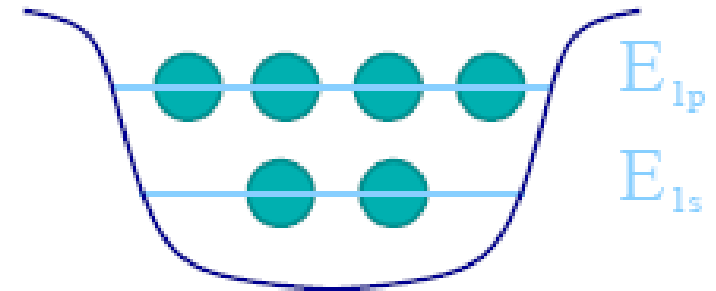


New Nuclides discovered these last years

Magic numbers of protons and neutrons:

Nuclides with such numbers are favored in terms of stability

2, 8, 20, 28, 50, 82, 126



Doubly magic: ${}^{100}\text{Sn}$

Superheavy elements: ${}^{118}\text{Uuo}$, 2004

Superlarge nuclides, Halo nuclides: ${}^{11}\text{Li}$

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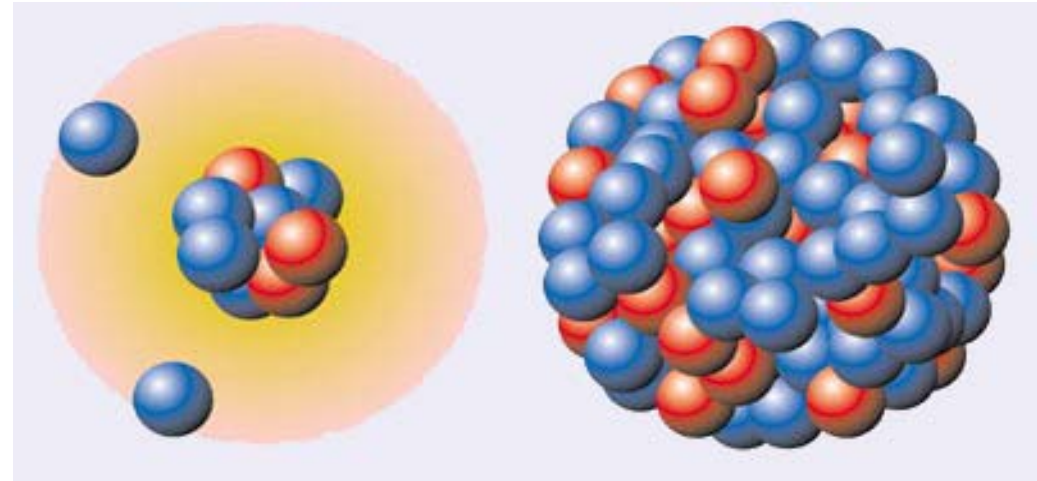
"Quality frame" for nuclide data and discovery

0. dubious, contradictory data [Uuo-293]
 1. only Z and A of the nuclide published [Rf-264]
 2. and (one) mode of decay given [Hs-263]
 3. and (estimation of) T1/2 given [Lr-262]
 4. and spin given [Fm-255]
 5. and mass given [Sg-265]
- ➡ Statistical data from the chart; no stable isobars for A=5 or 8
no stable isotopes for Z=43 or 61,
fixed number of nuclides with $T > 10^9$ y

Halo Nuclide ^{11}Li

Superlarge (halo) nuclide ^{11}Li :
a ^9Li core with an orbiting two
neutron halo.

Comparison with ^{208}Pb
20 times heavier



Li 11
8.5 ms
 $\beta^- \sim 18.5; 20.4$
 γ 3368"; 320...
 $\beta n; \beta 2n; \beta 3n;$
 $\beta \alpha; \beta t$

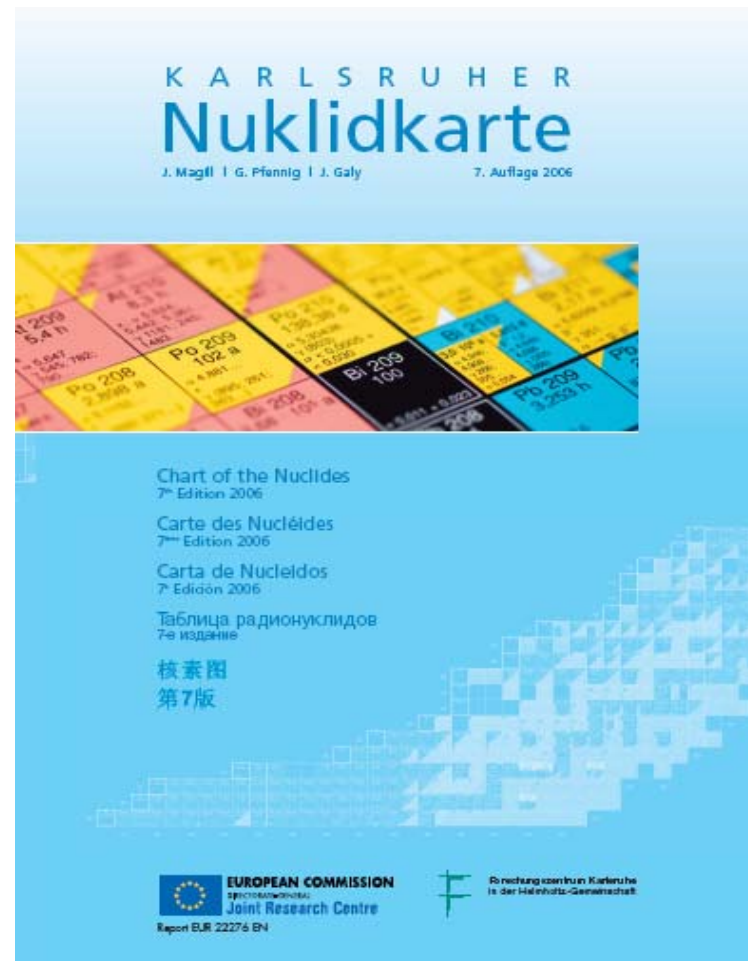




A new version of the “Karlsruher Nuklidkarte”

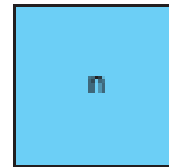
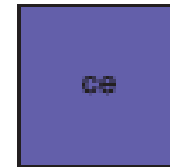
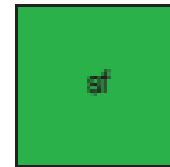
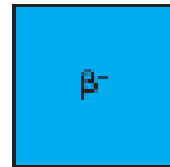
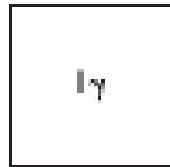
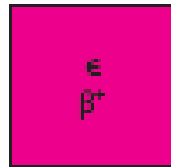
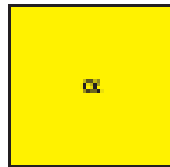
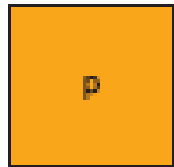
New nuclides added and updates to known nuclides

- ➡ Experimentally observed nuclides
- ➡ Colour scheme based on the decay modes. Multiple decay modes indicated.
- ➡ Restricted but essential information shown

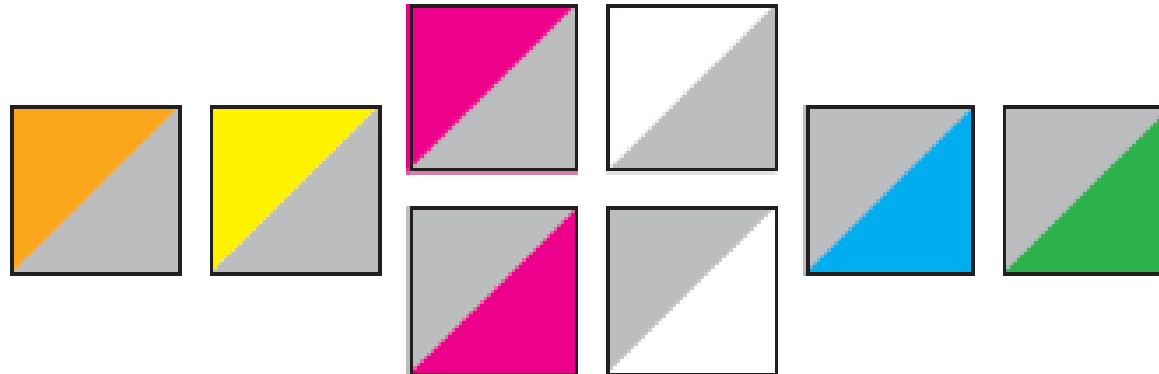




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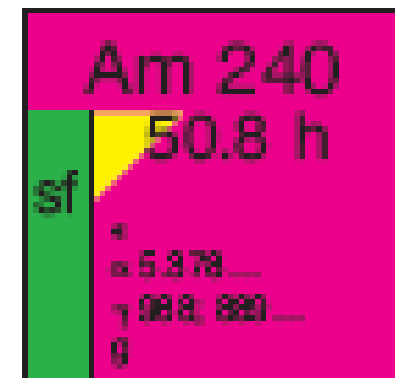
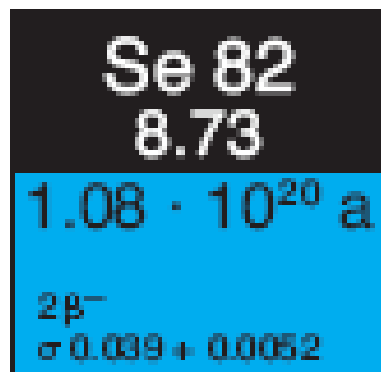
Single Colour ↔ Single Decay Mode



Multiple Colours ↔ Multiple Decay Modes



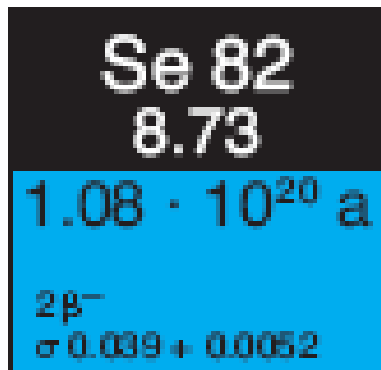
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Examples of 3 nuclides with different decay modes



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Selenium A=82

Primordial element, abundance in the natural element 8.73%

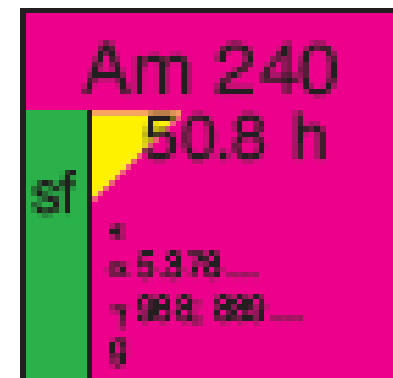
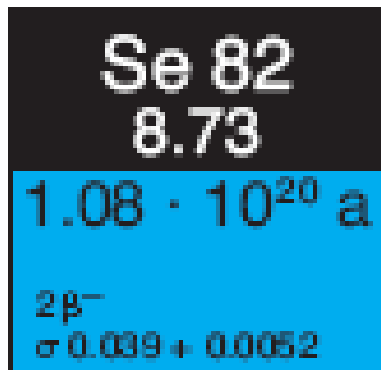
β^- decay with half-life of $1.08 \cdot 10^{20}$ years

Double beta decay

(n, γ) cross section



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Selenium A=77

left hand side: half-life of metastable state, 17.5 s;

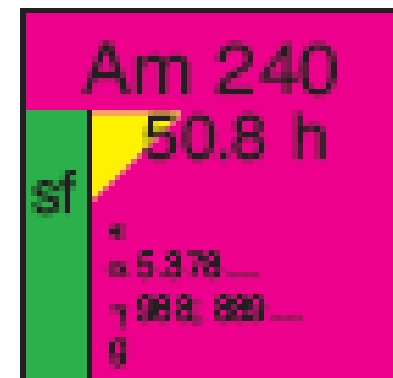
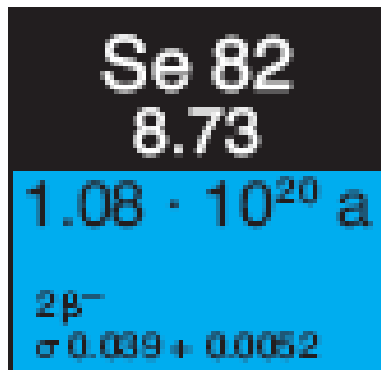
γ -energy (162 keV) of the isomeric transition

right hand side: abundance in the natural element (7.63 %)

(n, γ)-cross sections for the thermal neutrons (barn)



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Americium A=240

left hand side: spontaneous fission isomer

right hand side: decay by electron capture and α decay.

“g” indicates that the daughter Pu 240g is formed to at least 95 %; a population of Pu 240m up to 5% cannot be excluded



The New Version of the “Karlsruher Nuklidkarte”

- *612 updated nuclides*
- *Brochure with 2 new languages: Russian and Chinese (German, English, French, Spanish)*
- *Available soon*
7th edition

